nature to be challenged. However, elected officials in some instances have had to be removed and prosecuted for malfeasance in office. The finger of suspicion has pointed at others. But scandal in a large way has not broken over the heads of Filipino politicians.

It has been popular, especially for Americans, to lambast the Filipino politicians unmercifully. Some of these critics I have noted have failed to see the mote in their own eye in their desire to see the beam in their brother's eye, for included among them have been American office-holders. Personally I find no just cause to blame the Filipino for being ambitious and for taking an interest in the affairs of his country. All in all, the Filipino politician is a lovable individual, who in his way is a patriot and who within reason is seeking to do the right thing.